

REMARKS

This Supplemental Amendment and Communication supplements the previously filed Amendment and Communication mailed on January 12, 2004. Applicants respectfully request that the present Supplemental Amendment and Communication be entered and
5 considered along with the Amendment and Communication mailed on January 12, 2004.

The amendments to the claims presented herein supersede the claim amendments presented in the Amendment and Communication mailed on January 12, 2004. The claims are amended as described below.

Applicants stand by the remarks presented in the Amendment and Communication
10 mailed on January 12, 2004 and request that those remarks be considered in view of the claim amendments presented herein.

In the claims, claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of claim 13, and to broaden the claim by cancelling the terms --passive-- and --bus bar--.

Claim 13 has been accordingly canceled without prejudice.

15 Claim 24 has been amended to include the subject matter of claim 35, and to broaden the claim by canceling the terms --passive-- and --bus bar--.

Claim 35 has been accordingly canceled without prejudice.

20 Claim 40 has been amended to claim a transmitter having a plurality of subcircuits, similar to the transmitter of claim 13 now canceled, and to broaden the claims by canceling the terms --passive-- and --bus bar--.

Claims 2-12, 14, 15, 18-23, 25-34, 36-39 and 41 have been amended to correct informalities.

Claims 42-59 are newly added.

No new matter is added by the present amendments.

25 Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-12, 14-34 and 36-59 are patentable. It is therefore submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

30 Should anything further be required, or if the prosecution of the present patent application may be advanced by a telephone conference, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned at (312) 876-2606.

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